Dewan's reply.—The Deputy Commissioner will be asked to report on this proposal.

Subject No. 287.
Municipal house tax should be levied on Military buildings within Municipal limits.

Summary of discussion.—In the Military Farm at Kunigal, the residences of the Military servants and their local officer are now exempted from the Municipal house tax. It is requested that house tax may be imposed upon these residences as on other houses.

Dewan's reply.—Not if they are the property of Government (see para 10, the orders printed at page 167 of the Revenue Rules 1886). But if they are private property, it is the duty of the Deputy Commissioner to see that they are assessed under standing orders.

MYSORE DISTRICT.

Subject No. 288.
Munsiff's Court should be re-established at Hunsur.

Summary of discussion.—The Munisiff's Court of Hunsur was abolished in 1883 in the course of reductions of establishments. Merchants and other business people now beg that this Court be re-established. Advances are given in small amounts of from Rs. 10 to Rs. 25. With a Munsiff's Court at Mysore as now, it is practically impossible to recover these amounts from defaulters, as to recover Rs. 10 will cost about Rs. 25 in travelling expenses and Lawyers' fees, besides the loss of time in going backwards and forwards to Mysore to prosecute the case, and the neglect of ones' business during absence. The distance from Mysore to Frazerpet is 56 miles, and the distance from Narsipur to Kakankota is 70 miles without a Civil Court; whereas, a little further east, we have at Nanjangud one Munsiff's Court; at Mysore, two Munsiff's Courts, and at Seringapatam one Munsiff's Court; or no less than four Munisiffs' Courts within a distance of about 25 miles running north and south and all connected by Railway. We humbly beg that you will grant us a favorable reply to our request. As to this, Mr. Rangaiengar (Representative from Heggaddevankote Taluk) represented that for the people of his taluk, the Court at Nanjungud is more convenient than one at Hunsur would be.

Dewan's reply.—Noted for consideration in consultation with the Chief Court.

Subject No. 289.
Hunsur water-supply and conservancy.

Summary of discussion.—It is generally supposed that a river has a great deal to do with the terrible sweeping epidemics of cholera and small-pox which visit the town every now and again, and which is in fact almost an annual occurrence. A scheme for improving and conserving the water-supply was brought before the Municipality, which was to deepen and enlarge the Chik Hunsur tank and heighten the bund by some 6 feet. By doing this, the water could be brought through the town. The tank is fed from the Govinhalli channel which is a branch from the Hanagod anikat, so that sufficient water could be stored during the monsoon to carry us through